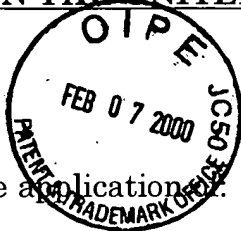


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Sir:

This is Applicant's response to the Office Action mailed November 4, 1999.

A three month shortened statutory period for responding expires February 4, 2000. Please amend the application as follows:

Cancel claims 36, 37, 45, 46, 54, 55 and 60.

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